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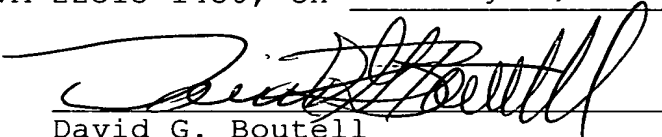
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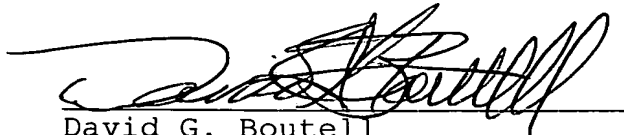
RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Requirement for Election/Restriction mailed December 20, 2006. In the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that election from the first group of species as detailed in the Office Action mailed June 28, 2006, is required. Accordingly, Applicant hereby elects Species I - Figure 15-17, 21-23 and 26-27 (i.e., table), without traverse. It is our understanding that this species will be examined along with the invention and species previously elected. Claims 1, 3 and 5 are applicable to the elected invention and all elected species. Claims 1, 3 and 5 are generic.

Further and favorable consideration of the claims is  
courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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